

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE  
TO H.R. 1708  
OFFERED BY MR. GRIJALVA OF ARIZONA**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the  
following:

**1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Rim of the Valley Cor-  
3 ridor Preservation Act”.

**4 SEC. 2. BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT; LAND ACQUISITION; AD-  
5 MINISTRATION.**

6       (a) BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.—Section 507(c)(1) of  
7 the National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978 (16  
8 U.S.C. 460kk(c)(1)) is amended in the first sentence by  
9 striking “, which shall” and inserting “and generally de-  
10 picted as ‘Rim of the Valley Unit Proposed Addition’ on  
11 the map entitled ‘Rim of the Valley Unit—Santa Monica  
12 Mountains National Recreation Area’, numbered 638/  
13 147,723, and dated September 2018. Both maps shall”.

14       (b) RIM OF THE VALLEY UNIT.—Section 507 of the  
15 National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C.  
16 460kk) is amended by adding at the end the following:

17       “(u) RIM OF THE VALLEY UNIT.—(1) Not later than  
18 3 years after the date of the enactment of this subsection,

1 the Secretary shall update the general management plan  
2 for the recreation area to reflect the boundaries designated  
3 on the map referred to in subsection (c)(1) as the ‘Rim  
4 of the Valley Unit’ (hereafter in the subsection referred  
5 to as the ‘Rim of the Valley Unit’). Subject to valid exist-  
6 ing rights, the Secretary shall administer the Rim of the  
7 Valley Unit and any land or interest in land acquired by  
8 the United States and located within the boundaries of  
9 the Rim of the Valley Unit, as part of the recreation area  
10 in accordance with the provisions of this section and appli-  
11 cable laws and regulations.

12 “(2) The Secretary may acquire non-Federal land  
13 within the boundaries of the Rim of the Valley Unit only  
14 through exchange, donation, or purchase from a willing  
15 seller. Nothing in this subsection authorizes the use of  
16 eminent domain to acquire land or interests in land.

17 “(3) Nothing in this subsection or the application of  
18 the management plan for the Rim of the Valley Unit shall  
19 be construed to—

20 “(A) modify any provision of Federal, State, or  
21 local law with respect to public access to or use of  
22 non-Federal land;

23 “(B) create any liability, or affect any liability  
24 under any other law, of any private property owner  
25 or other owner of non-Federal land with respect to

1 any person injured on private property or other non-  
2 Federal land;

3 “(C) affect the ownership, management, or  
4 other rights relating to any non-Federal land (in-  
5 cluding any interest in any non-Federal land);

6 “(D) require any local government to partici-  
7 pate in any program administered by the Secretary;

8 “(E) alter, modify, or diminish any right, re-  
9 sponsibility, power, authority, jurisdiction, or entitle-  
10 ment of the State, any political subdivision of the  
11 State, or any State or local agency under existing  
12 Federal, State, and local law (including regulations);

13 “(F) require the creation of protective perim-  
14 eters or buffer zones and the fact that certain activi-  
15 ties or land can be seen or heard from within the  
16 Rim of the Valley Unit shall not, of itself, preclude  
17 the activities or land uses up to the boundary of the  
18 Rim of the Valley Unit;

19 “(G) require or promote use of, or encourage  
20 trespass on, lands, facilities, and rights-of-way  
21 owned by non-Federal entities, including water re-  
22 source facilities and public utilities, without the writ-  
23 ten consent of the owner;

24 “(H) affect the operation, maintenance, modi-  
25 fication, construction, or expansion of any water re-

1 source facility or utility facility located within or ad-  
2 jacent to the Rim of the Valley Unit;

3 “(I) terminate the fee title to lands or cus-  
4 tomary operation, maintenance, repair, and replace-  
5 ment activities on or under such lands granted to  
6 public agencies that are authorized pursuant to Fed-  
7 eral or State statute;

8 “(J) interfere with, obstruct, hinder, or delay  
9 the exercise of any right to, or access to any water  
10 resource facility or other facility or property nec-  
11 essary or useful to access any water right to operate  
12 any public water or utility system;

13 “(K) require initiation or reinitiation of con-  
14 sultation with the United States Fish and Wildlife  
15 Service under, or the application of provisions of, the  
16 Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et  
17 seq.), the National Environmental Policy Act of  
18 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), or division A of sub-  
19 title III of title 54, United States Code, concerning  
20 any action or activity affecting water, water rights  
21 or water management or water resource facilities  
22 within the Rim of the Valley Unit; or

23 “(L) limit the Secretary’s ability to update ap-  
24 plicable fire management plan, which may consider  
25 fuels management strategies including managed nat-

1        ural fire, prescribed fires, non-fire mechanical haz-  
2        ardous fuel reduction activities, or post-fire remedi-  
3        ation of damage to natural and cultural resources.

4        “(4) The activities of a utility facility or water re-  
5        source facility shall take into consideration ways to rea-  
6        sonably avoid or reduce the impact on the resources of  
7        the Rim of the Valley Unit.

8        “(5) For the purpose of paragraph (4)—

9                “(A) the term ‘utility facility’ means electric  
10        substations, communication facilities, towers, poles,  
11        and lines, ground wires, communications circuits,  
12        and other structures, and related infrastructure; and

13                “(B) the term ‘water resource facility’ means  
14        irrigation and pumping facilities; dams and res-  
15        ervoirs; flood control facilities; water conservation  
16        works, including debris protection facilities, sediment  
17        placement sites, rain gages, and stream gauges;  
18        water quality, recycled water, and pumping facilities;  
19        conveyance distribution systems; water treatment fa-  
20        cilities; aqueducts; canals; ditches; pipelines; wells;  
21        hydropower projects; transmission facilities; and  
22        other ancillary facilities, groundwater recharge facili-  
23        ties, water conservation, water filtration plants, and

- 1 other water diversion, conservation, groundwater re-
- 2 charge, storage, and carriage structures.”.

